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R 021800Z APR 74 FM AMEMBASSY ROME TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4081 INFO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE AMCONSUL ZAGREB AMCONSUL TRIESTE

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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: PFOR, IT, YU

SUBJECT: SITUATION IN TRIESTE

1. OUR CONSUL IN TRIESTE REPORTS THAT SITUATION IN THE CITY REMAINS CALM. LOCAL PRESS, INCLUDING SLOVENE PAPER, CONTINUES TO TREAT ZONE B ISSUE IN RELATIVELY LOW KEY. ARRIVAL APRIL 1 OF USN OILIER (NOTE RELATED TO DARK IMAGE EXERCISE) HAS NOT CAUSED ANY UNUSUAL STIR AND SHIP IS ANCHORED FAR OUT IN HARBOR. CONSUL ALSO REPORTS THAT CURRENT ISSUE OF RIGHT WING PERIODICAL LO SPECCHIO IS BEING SNAPPED OFF NEWS STANDS PRESUMABLY BECAUSE PROMINENT ARTICLE ENTITLED "TITOISM IS FINISHED". ARTICLE, WHICH CITES DISCREDITED REPORT OF TITO STROKE, RELATES HIS DECLINING HEALTH TO ADVENT OF DIRECT SOVIET INFLUENCE IN YUGOSLAVIA.

2. NEREO STOPPER, TRIESTE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR INDUSTRY, DURING VISIT TODAY IN ROME TOLD EMBOFF THAT TENSION CAUSED BY ZONE B DISPUTE HAS CAUSED REGIONAL GOVERNMENT TO CANCEL VISIT OF DELEGATION TO LJUBLJANA AND PROBABLY WILL CAUSE CANCELLATION OF FRIULI-VENEZIA GIULIA PARTICIPATION IN TRADE FAIR IN LJUBLJANA APRIL 11. YUGOSLAV CONSUL GENERAL IN TRIESTE, ACCORDING STOPPER, REGRETTED CANCELLATION BUT AGREED IT BEST COURSE IN VIEW CURRENT SITUATION. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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